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TO THE EDITOR OF THE POLYNESIAN.

As Mr. Magister has now, as it were, stepped from the penumbra of his own name; as he has shed his griefs, his wounded friendship, and his "labor of love" to the columns of the *Polynesian*, and as he has satisfied those who never "saw the inside of a Latin dictionary" that "Magister" means Master of the Royal School, it would perhaps be an act of literary charity not to give his modesty further promotion to say much more, having already made himself the prominent topic of two mortal columns in small type, to the exclusion of "the general subject" which he wishes to be kept up, but finds time to grasp, while hunting the editors of the *Polynesian*. Charity further suggests that *Magister's* errors, and his obstinacy in catching at an imperfection, and his presumption in coupling the cherub and the serpent, and the name of one who came here as a servant of God and died at his post, with that of the President of the Board of Education, can only be accounted for on the supposition that he "has a bee in his bonnet." If so, "it is his misfortune, not his fault," and criticism is disarmed.

Noting that Mr. *Magister* will find parallels to the President in other regions than those of "the right-hand dead," that he will not send epitaphs over living men "down the ages," to be repudiated perhaps by a more recent coin; and that he will cease to weary the public with his interminable egoism, I would send him to his desk, there to study Coleridge and Taylor, in order to make a better acquaintance of himself, and to learn from some of the Oahu Magisters that *Magister* does not obviously, nor yet necessarily, mean Master of the Royal School, any more than "Pastor" means the Chaplain of the Seamen's Bethel in a place where there are more Magisters and more Pastors than one.

It would be injustice to dismiss *Magister* thus, without giving him due credit for his devotion in offering himself as a scape-goat for the sins of the two Presidents. I can fancy *Magister* saying with Pericles, in his opening satire,

"Quo quod certe est quod me tibi temperat astrum," without analysing the relation or undervaluing the merit of the act, yet I am reluctantly compelled to inform him, that his attempt to cover up "the general subject" with the cloak of his personal grievances is a failure, and has only tended still further to compromise the tottering fame of the two gentlemen alluded to.

But, reverends a nos moutons, or their equivalent, the general subject."

That the ostensible friends of education generally, and the projected College especially, impute to me, and those who argue with me, sentiments of hostility to the establishment of a College here, is allowing their ears to get the upper hand of their prudence, is a logical deduction from inadequate premises, and a gratuitous insult to the understanding of their opponents. It is not a College, but the means to obtain it; it is not the system, but the men to manage it, which is the subject of the subject has brought to the surface, and which we oppose. Deeply as we appreciate the many benefits of a College, yet we could not have it obtained by any means nor ruled by any man, simply because the opportunity may be more favorable now than at another time. We oppose the specious and hollow pretences put forth to secure the sympathy and co-operation of the public, the time serving vacillation from ultra liberal ultra bigot, the assumption of false colors to impose on the timid and entrap the unwary, the disregard of other educational wants in the hot haste of the present hobby, and the silly attempt to divert attention by raising the cry of "Stop thief!"

Against men who have no possible personal interest in the establishment of an end. These are the means which we oppose, they are of public notoriety, and so are the means of the Rev. President of the Board of Education, and the Rev. President of the Oahu College.

If the friends of a College by any means still think strange that we oppose such means and such men, let them listen to the pleadings of the "still small voice" in their own hearts; "Shall we do evil that good may come?" "An honest man," says one of the greatest ethical teachers, whose exposition of the law is worth a dozen colleges, "knows that by violating the law of his reason to the maxim of prudence, he purchases the sword with the hand of the arm that is to wield it." The duties which are due to our own moral being, are the ground and foundation of all other duties; and to set our nature at variance with itself for a good purpose, implies the same sort of prudence as a priest of Diana would have manifested, who should have proposed to dig the celebrated charcoal foundations of the mighty temple of Ephesus, in order to furnish fuel for the offerings on its altars. "Will ye speak deceit for God?" is a searching question, which most

affectingly represents the grief and impatience of an uncorrupted mind at perceiving a good cause defended by ill means. What place then is left in the heart for virtue to build on, if in any case we may dare practice on others what we should feel as a cruel and contemptuous wrong in our own persons?"

Build a College in God's name, but build it in Truth and on a righteous foundation, and let a chastened spirit and pure hearts serve at its altars. Go back to first principles, and call things by their proper names; do not promise fair to the ear what you intend to break in the sense; publish alike your reprobation of the wavering course and false pretences practiced by the Rev. President of the Board of Education, and the incendiary manifesto of the Rev. President of the College; learn that no end will justify a misrepresentation, and that a stigma attached to an institution is a death-blow to its usefulness; if people abroad will only contribute to a College, and you know that it will not be such in the sense that they understand it, have the moral courage to forego their contributions rather than encourage a delusion; discard the word *National*—it conveys a wrong impression abroad, and creates heart-burnings and jealousies at home; and remember that the Government whose aid you invoke cannot sanction an assumption subversive of the Constitution. By so doing, and only so, can you hope to secure that "sympathy and co-operation" at home, now fast slipping through your fingers; by so doing you will give a practical illustration of a moral precept, worth more to the future prosperity and good will of the institution than the whole expected endowment.

It would seem supererogatory to tell men of your ages, attainments and experience, that there can be no disparagement in confessing an error either of judgment or heart, if done for the purpose of amendment; and that such an act, if done now, will save future confusion, with compound interest of all the evils flowing from the first error. It would seem intolerable that I should lecture those who were supposed to stand as model Christians of the day, and expose the homely truth, lost sight of in the eager pursuit of the end, or trampled under foot in the heat of controversy—that neither your own particular sect, nor the nation of which you form a part, can feel interest or pride in an institution founded on mistakes and cemented by intolerance. In conclusion, permit me to quote for the reflection of your leisure moments, the following passage from Bishop Taylor: "Such is the iniquity of men, that they suck in opinions as wild asses do the wind, without distinguishing the wholesome from the corrupted air, and then live upon it at a venture: and when all their confidence is built upon zeal and mistake, yet therefore because they are zealous and mistaken they are impatient of contradiction."

R. —

Token of Respect.

The funeral of the wife of Mr. Thomas Meek took place on Thursday last, and was very largely attended. Capt. Meek and his family are so much a part of Honolulu that every one who was not prevented from showing his respect on such an occasion was present. The hearse was followed to the grave by a large party of pedestrians, and a long line of carriages.

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